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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
GRINDING AND/OR POLISHING AN
EDGE OF A GLASS SHEET

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action dated May 6, 2005 in the above-captioned application, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement identifying the following groups as being drawn to potentially distinct species of the claimed invention:

- Group I. Species 1, Figures 1-3; and
- Group II. Species 2, Figures 4-6.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1 and 8 are generic.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Species 1 claims which relate to porous plates, for prosecution.

Applicants submit that the Species 1 claims are Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-17.


Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications for the non-elected claims.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is necessary to make this Response timely. Should Applicants be in error, Applicants respectfully request the Office grant such time extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) as necessary to make this Response timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to said time extension to the deposit account of the undersigned firm of attorneys, Deposit Account 03-3325.

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